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DEPUTIES' MEETING

Present: Mr. Dulles, General Cabell, Mr. Bissell, Mr. Amory,
Mr. Lloyd, Mr. Kirkpatrick, Mr. Barnes, Mr. Abbot
Smith, []

MR. DULLES:

a. Referred to the morning's Diplomatic Summary and to a State Department telegram from Vientiane, both reflecting upon the critical condition in Laos. A general discussion ensued as to what might be done by the U. S. Government, and Mr. Bissell pointed out that basically the Department of Defense has been advocating increased financial and military assistance for some time but that the State Department has been hesitant to go forward with additional aid. The Director then commented that a meeting had just been set up in Mr. Dillon's office for that afternoon to formulate just what action the U. S. Government will take with regard to Laos. He asked Mr. Bissell to accompany him to this meeting.

b. Referred to a cable from [] relating the results of the [] meeting with the [] concerning [] election support. After some discussion, it was agreed that it was not necessary for the Director to go back to the OCB at the present time for any additional funds.

c. Referred to a cable from [] and OUT [] in reply thereto, dealing with the establishment of the Chief of [] as the over-all intelligence coordinator. Some discussion followed in which General Cabell stated that he felt our outgoing message was quite misleading and he had already asked [] in EE Division to draft a new message which would modify certain misapprehensions he felt the field would acquire from []

d. Referred to a long message from the Dalai Lama to the U. S. Government, and asked Mr. Bissell to report to him on what the State Department is doing with respect to a number of questions raised concerning the future plans of the Dalai Lama and the admission of Tibetan refugees to the United States. He also referred to the situation in Bhutan and asked []

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e. Stated that he had had lunch with Elmer Staats and Gates Lloyd on Friday, and commented that they did not get into a discussion of the CIA budget but that Staats had expressed interest in receiving at an early date our response to a Bureau of the Budget request for a paper reflecting a comparison between U. S. and Soviet budgets. Mr. Amory stated that ORR was working on this paper and he would check into the status of it.

GENERAL CABELL:

Announced that he had been asked to attend a State-JCS meeting on 28 August which was being specifically called to discuss NATO, the new Central Treaty Organization (CENTO), and Laos. He stated that this meeting was to discuss various capabilities and that he planned to take both Messrs. Amory and Broe to the meeting with him.

MR. BISSELL:

Noted that [] was getting ready to make a trip to [] on coordination problems, and suggested that [] should postpone this trip until after Jim Critchfield returns from a trip he is making to [] during which he is sure to cover much of the same ground [] will be interested in. After some discussion, it was agreed to bring this up at a later date just prior to [] departure to determine if the time was then apropos for [] to make the trip.

MR. AMORY:

Reported on the arrangements he has made for support to the President during his forthcoming trip. He stated that [] will be in touch with Andy Goodpaster and will funnel all intelligence support through him [] he will travel with the President's entourage [] furnish support in the same fashion. No effort is being made to cover the President's brief stop in Bonn in this manner. The Director suggested that instructions be sent out also